



RECEIVED

APR 11 2001

Technology Center 2600

2683

avf
4/18/01

Patent
PD-200029

Customer Number 020991

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	:	Date: April 6, 2001
FRANK A. HAGEN	:	Group Art Unit: 2683
Serial No. 09/576,652	:	Examiner: Tran, Congvan
Filed: May 22, 2000	:	
For: MULTI-NODE POINT-TO-POINT	:	
SATELLITE COMMUNICATION	:	
SYSTEM EMPLOYING	:	
MULTIPLE GEO SATELLITES	:	

TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL CONTINUATION-IN-PART COMBINED
DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The above-identified patent application is a **continuation-in-part of assignee's co-pending U.S. Serial No. 09/271,997, entitled "Multiple Satellite Mobile Communications Method and Apparatus for Hand-Held Terminals," filed on March 18, 1999.** This is clearly stated on page 1 of the patent application.

The "Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney" filed earlier did not specifically claim benefit of Serial No. 09/271,997 under 35 USC § 120. Therefore, a supplemental "Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney" signed by the inventors is enclosed herewith. This supplemental declaration is for a "Continuation-in-part application" and the inventors clearly claim the benefit of the parent application and acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to the inventors to be material to the patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations,

HA

1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national filing date of this application.

The Office is requested to make this Supplemental Declaration of record.

Applicants believe that no fee is necessary for filing this Supplemental Declaration. In the event, however, that a fee is necessary, the Office is authorized to charge the necessary fee to Hughes Electronics Corporation Deposit Account, 50-0383.

RECEIVED

APR 11 2001

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK A. HAGEN, ET AL

Technology Center 2600

By: Vijayalakshmi D. Duraiswamy
Vijayalakshmi D. Duraiswamy
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 31,505

Enclosure: (1) Supplemental Declaration for Continuation-in-part application

HUGHES ELECTRONICS CORPORATION
PATENT DOCKET ADMINISTRATION
Bldg. 001 M/S A109
P. O. Box 956
200 N. Sepulveda Boulevard
El Segundo, CA 90245-0956
(310)662-9919

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: the Commissioner of Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on

April 6, 2001
(Date of Deposit)

V.D. DURAISWAMY
Name of applicant, assignee, or Registered Representative
Reg. No. 31, 505

V. D. Duraiswamy
Signature
April 6, 2001
Date of Signature